

2. Therefore do thou at our sacrifice offer oblations to the great deities with exhilarating flames: bring hither the gods: offer them worship.¹
3. AGNI, doer of great deeds, creator, thou knowest (how to travel over) with speed (great) roads and (little) paths³ at sacrifices.
4. BHABATA,³ with the presenters of the oblation, has joyfully praised thee in thy (twofold capacity),* and has worshipped thee, the adorable, with sacrifices.
5. As thou hast conferred these many blessings upon DivoD-isA when presenting libations, (so now grantthem) to the (actual) offerer, BHARADWJJJA.
6. Hearing the adoration of the sage, do thou, who art the immortal messenger, bring hither the celestial people.
7. Pious mortals invoke thee, divine AGNJ, at sacrifices, to convey their (sacrificial) food to the
8. I glorify thy splendour, and the acts of thee the liberal giver: all who, (through thy favour) enjoy their desires, glorify thee.
9. Thou hast been appointed by MASU, the invoker

1 *Ibid.* ii. 825.

² *Adhvanah pathascha* are explained severally *makamdrydn*, great roads, *kshudrtt mdrgdn-*cha*, Me roads or paths; that is, according to *Sdyana*, put the sacrificer into the right way when he is going wrong in the ceremonial or sacrifice.

³ *Sdyana* considers *Bharata* here to be the *Rjdj*, the son of *Dushyanta*.

* In the character of bestowing what is wished for, and removing what is undesired, is twofold; *iskta prdptyantskta-parihdrarupe7idgnir diridhd*.